

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT**  
**TRAFFIC RULES AND REGULATIONS**

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**and subsequently amended**

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**TOWN OF ROCKPORT**  
**TRAFFIC RULES AND ORDERS**

The following vote was duly passed:

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Rockport acting by virtue of the power given to it by Section 22 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws of Massachusetts and by virtue of any other power it hereto enabling, hereby adopts and makes the rules and orders for the regulations of carriages and vehicles used in the said town of regulating traffic upon the streets and highways of said Town which are hereto annexed, the same to be known as Traffic Rules and Orders of the Town of Rockport, insofar as the said rules and orders of any of them are the same as the regulations, rules and orders now in force they shall be deemed to be a continuation thereof.

**TRAFFIC RULES AND ORDERS**

The following rules and orders shall regulate traffic upon the streets and highways of the Town of Rockport.

**ARTICLE 1. - DEFINITIONS**

For the purpose of these rules and orders, the words and phrases used herein shall have the following meanings except in those instances where the context clearly indicates a different meaning.

- (a) "Street or Highway." The entire width between property lines of every way open to the use of the public for purposes of travel.
- (b) "Roadway." That portion of a street or highway between the regularly established curb lines or that part, exclusive of shoulders, improved and intended to be used for vehicular traffic.
- (c) "Lane." A longitudinal division of a roadway into a strip of sufficient width to accommodate the passage of a single line of vehicles.
- (d) "Vehicle." Every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a street or highway, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.
- (e) "Emergency Vehicle." Vehicles of the Fire Department (Fire Patrol), police vehicles, Public Works vehicles, ambulances and emergency vehicles of federal, state and municipal departments or public service corporations when the latter are responding to an emergency in relation to the police or fire departments.

- (f) "Parking." The stopping or standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise then temporarily, except that a vehicle shall not be deemed parked when stopped or standing for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading or in obedience to an officer or traffic control signs or signals or while making emergency repairs or, if disabled, while arrangements are being made to move such vehicle.
- (g) "Pedestrian." Any person afoot or riding on a conveyance moved by human power, except bicycles or tricycles.
- (h) "Sidewalk." That portion of a street or highway set aside for pedestrian travel.
- (i) "Crosswalk." That portion of a roadway ordinarily included within the prolongation or connection of curb lines and property lines at intersections, or at any portion of a roadway clearly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines on the road surface or by other markings or signs.
- (j) "Traffic." Pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles, street cars or other conveyance either single or together while using any street or highway for the purpose of travel.
- (k) "Official Traffic Signs." All signs, markings and devices, other than signals, not inconsistent with these rules and orders, and which conform to the standards prescribed by the Department of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and placed or erected by authority of a public body or official having jurisdiction for the purpose of guiding, directing, warning or regulating traffic.
- (l) "Officer." For the purpose of this ordinance an officer shall be construed to mean any officer, any investigator, examiner or inspector of the Registry of Motor Vehicles, any constable or special officer, provided he is in uniform or displays his badge of office.
- (m) "Bus Stop." An area in the roadway set aside for the boarding of or alighting from and the parking of buses.
- (n) "Funeral." Any procession of mourners properly identified as such accompanying the remains of a human body.
- (o) "Official Curb Marking." That portion of a curbing, the painting of which has been authorized by the Selectmen, and which complies with the standards of the Department of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and has the written approval of said Department.
- (p) "Official Street Marking." Any painted line, marking or marker placed in or upon any way by authority of the Selectmen and which complies

with the standards of the Department of Public Works and has the written approval of said Department.

## **ARTICLE 2. - AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF POLICE**

### **SECTION 1.           OFFICERS TO DIRECT TRAFFIC.**

It shall be the duty of officers designated by the Chief of Police to enforce the provisions of these rules and orders. Such officers are hereby authorized to direct all traffic either in person or by means of visible or audible signals in conformance with the provisions of these rules and orders, provided that in the event of a fire or other emergency to expedite traffic of safeguard pedestrians, officers of the Police or Fire Departments may direct traffic, as conditions may require, notwithstanding the provisions of these rules and orders.

### **SECTION 2.           POLICE MAY CLOSE STREETS TEMPORARILY.**

The Chief of Police is hereby authorized to close temporarily any street or highway in an impending or existing emergency or for any lawful assemblage, demonstration or procession provided there is reasonable justification for the closing of such street.

### **SECTION 3.           POLICE MAY PROHIBIT PARKING TEMPORARILY.**

The Chief of Police is hereby authorized to prohibit, temporarily, parking on any street or highway or part thereof in an impending or existing emergency. or for a lawful assemblage, demonstration or procession provided there is reasonable justification for such prohibition. Vehicles parked in places where parking is prohibited temporarily may be moved by or under the direction of an officer.

### **SECTION 4.           EXEMPTIONS.**

The provisions of these rules and orders shall not apply to operators actually engaged in work upon a street or highway closed to travel or under construction or repair, to officers when engaged in the performance of public duties nor to drivers of emergency vehicles while operating in an emergency and in performance of public duties when the

nature of the work of any of these necessitates a departure from any part of these rules and orders. These exemptions shall not, however, protect the driver of any vehicle from the consequences of a reckless disregard of the safety of others.

### **SECTION 5.   CHIEF OF POLICE TO MAKE ANNUAL ACCIDENT REPORT.**

The Chief of Police shall make an annual report concerning the accident situation in the Town, accompanied by his recommendations.

## **SECTION 6. POLICE TO SUBMIT ANNUAL TRAFFIC SAFETY REPORT.**

The Chief of Police shall include in his report to the Board of Selectmen:

- (a) He shall report other pertinent data on safety activities accompanied by his recommendations.
- (b) The plans and recommendations for future traffic activities.

## **ARTICLE 3. - TRAFFIC SIGNS, SIGNALS, MARKINGS AND ZONES**

### **SECTION 1. TRAFFIC SIGNS AND SIGNALS.**

- (a) The Director of Public Works may with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, and shall at the request of the Board of Selectmen, place and maintain or cause to be placed and maintained all official traffic signs, signals, markings and safety zones. All signs, signals markings and safety zones shall conform to the standards as prescribed by the Department of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- (b) Section 2 and 3 of Article 2; and Section 2 to 4 inclusive of Article 5 relating to parking shall be effective only during such time as a sufficient number of official signs are erected and maintained in each block designating the provisions of such sections and located so as to be easily visible to approaching drivers.
- (c) Section relating to one-way streets shall be effective only during such time as a sufficient number of official signs are erected and maintained at each of the exits for each one-way street, so that at least one sign will be clearly visible for a distance of at least seventy five (75) feet to drivers approaching such an exit.

### **SECTION 2. DISPLAY OF UNAUTHORIZED SIGNS, SIGNALS AND MARKINGS PROHIBITED.**

It shall be unlawful to any person or corporation to place or maintain or to display upon or in view of any street any unofficial sign, signal, marking or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an official traffic sign, signal, marking or device or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic or which hides from view any official sign or signal. The Chief of Police is hereby empowered to remove every such prohibited sign, signal, marking or device or cause it to be removed, without notice.

### **SECTION 3. INTERFERENCE WITH SIGNS, SIGNALS AND MARKINGS PROHIBITED.**

Any person who willfully defaces, injures, moves, obstructs or interfered with any

official traffic sign, signal or marking shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty (20) dollars for each and every offense.

#### **SECTION 4. LOCATION OF BUS STOPS, TAXICAB STANDS AND SERVICE ZONES.**

The location of all bus stops, taxicab stands and service zones, shall be specified by the Board of Selectmen and in the case of taxicab stands the Board of Selectmen shall designate who may use them as such.

The following areas are so designated:

- (a) On the southerly side of Broadway there shall be a taxicab stand reserved for one (1) taxi starting at the westerly edge of the Baptist Church driveway, and running in an easterly direction for a distance of twenty (2) feet more or less.
- (b) On the easterly side of Dock Square there shall be a stop for two buses commencing at the town landing and running northerly for a distance of 45 feet and from a point 65 feet from the town landing northerly to a point 110 feet.
- (c) On the westerly side of Pier Avenue there shall be a service zone starting at the southerly end of the Street (Pier Avenue) and running northerly for a distance of 43 feet.

#### **SECTION 5. OBEDIENCE TO TRAFFIC SIGNS AND SIGNALS.**

No driver of any vehicle shall disobey the instructions of any official traffic control signal, sign, marking, marker of legend, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

#### **SECTION 6. LOCATION OF TRAFFIC BEACON.**

At the following intersections traffic beacons will be maintained and operated by the Department of Public Works:

- (a) Mt. Pleasant Street and Broadway, near Dock Square

### **ARTICLE 4. - ZONES OF QUIET**

#### **SECTION 1. ZONES OF QUIET.**

- (a) The Chief of Police may temporarily establish a zone of quiet upon any street where a person is seriously ill, if requested to do so by the written statement of at least one registered physician certifying to its necessity. Said



temporary zone of quiet shall embrace all territory within a radius of two hundred (200) feet of the building occupied by the person named in the request of said physician. Said temporary zones of quiet shall be designated by the police by placing at a conspicuous place in the street a sign or marker bearing the words "Zone of Quiet."

(b) No person operating a motor vehicle within any designated and signed zone of quiet shall sound the horn or other warning device of said vehicle except in an emergency.

## **ARTICLE 5. - PARKING**

### **SECTION 1. GENERAL PROHIBITIONS.**

No person shall park a vehicle in any of the following places and vehicles found parked in violation of the provisions of this section may be moved by or under the direction of the Chief of Police or such other officers of the rank of Sergeant or higher, and at the expense of the owner to a place where parking is permitted:

- (a) Within an intersection.
- (b) Upon any sidewalk.
- (c) Upon any crosswalk.
- (d) Upon the roadway in a rural or sparsely settled district.
- (e) Upon a roadway where parking is permitted unless both wheels on the right side of the vehicle are within 12 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway; except upon those streets which are designated as one-way streets. On such one-way streets vehicles shall be parked in the direction in which said vehicle is moving and with both wheels within twelve (12) inches of the curb. This shall not apply to streets or parts of streets where angle parking is required by these regulations.
- (f) Upon any roadway where the parking of a vehicle will not leave a clear and unobstructed lane at least ten (10) feet wide for passing traffic.
- (g) Upon any street or highway within ten (10) feet of a fire hydrant.
- (h) Upon or in front of any private road or driveway.
- (i) Upon any street or highway within twenty (20) feet of an intersecting way, except alleys, unless otherwise provided.
- (j) Within fifteen (15) feet of the wall of a fire station or directly across

the street from such station provided signs are erected acquainting the driver of such restriction.

(k) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic.

(l) In any space reserved for handicapped parking and designated by signs indicating such a restriction.

## **SECTION 2. PROHIBITED ON CERTAIN STREETS.**

Upon the following streets or highways or parts thereof parking is hereby prohibited.

ALLEN AVENUE - Both sides from Old Garden Road to Highland Avenue, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, March 15 to November 15.

ATLANTIC AVENUE - northerly side from Mt. Pleasant Street to Highland Avenue, year round.

ATLANTIC AVENUE - southerly side for a distance of 125 feet from Mt. Pleasant Street, year round.

ATLANTIC AVENUE - southerly side from Highland Avenue to Clark Avenue, year round.

BABCOCK ROAD - both sides from Old Garden Road to Wallace Road, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, March 15 to November 15.

BEACH STREET - easterly side from Main Street traveling in a north-westerly direction for a distance of 115 feet, year round.

BEACH STREET - westerly side from Main Street to Pearson Way, year round.

BEACH STREET - easterly side from Pearson Way traveling in a northerly direction for a distance of 1,000 feet, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., year round.

BEACH STREET - easterly side from the Sandy Bay Engine House traveling in a northerly direction for a distance of 213 feet, year round.

BROADWAY - northerly side in its entirety, year round.

BROADWAY - southerly side from Mt. Pleasant Street traveling in a south-westerly direction for a distance of 153 feet, year round.

BROADWAY AVENUE - southerly side from Broadway to High Street, year round.

BROADWAY AVENUE - easterly side from the intersection of Broadway traveling in a southerly direction for a distance of 145 feet in a southerly direction.

BURT AVENUE - southerly side from Highland Avenue to Clark Avenue, year round.

CLARK AVENUE - easterly side from Burt Avenue to Atlantic Avenue, year round.

CLEAVES STREET - easterly side from the intersection with Jewett Street traveling in a southerly direction a distance of 51 feet, year round.

CLEAVES STREET - easterly side beginning at a point 135 feet from the intersection with Jewett Street traveling in a southerly direction for a distance of 535 feet to the intersection of Broadway, year round.

CLEAVES STREET - westerly side from Broadway to Highland Street, year round.

CLEAVES STREET - westerly side from Hale Street traveling in a southerly direction a distance of 131 feet, year round, except during church services.

COVE HILL LANE - both sides in its entirety, year round.

CURTIS STREET - both sides, traveling in a northerly direction from utility pole #533 to the Granite Street intersection for a distance of 747 feet, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday, except holidays.

DEAN ROAD - both sides from Old Garden Road to Wallace Road, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday, Sundays, and holidays, March 15 to November 15.

DOYLE'S COVE ROAD - both sides from South Road to North Road, year round.

EDEN ROAD - both sides from Penzance Road to a point 400 feet easterly of South Street, year round.

GRANITE STREET - both sides from the Gloucester/Rockport boundary line traveling in an easterly direction for a distance of 530 feet, year round.

GRANITE STREET - easterly side from the southern end of Phillips Avenue traveling in a northerly direction for a distance of 392 feet, year round.

GRANITE STREET - westerly side from Breakwater Avenue traveling in a northerly direction for a distance of 129 feet, year round.

GRANITE STREET - westerly side from Story Street traveling in a southerly direction for a distance of 300 feet, year round.

GRANITE STREET - easterly side from Chapel Lane, traveling in a northerly direction for a distance of 131 feet, year round.

GRANITE STREET - easterly side from Chapel Lane traveling in a southerly direction for a distance of 435 feet, year round.

GRANITE STREET - westerly side from Landmark Lane traveling in a southerly direction for a distance of 300 feet, year round.

GRANITE STREET - easterly side from the intersection of Beach Street traveling in a northerly direction to a point 100 feet northerly of Landmark Lane, year round.

GRANITE STREET - westerly side from Rowe Avenue traveling in a southerly direction to a point 928 feet southerly of the intersection of Beach Street, year round.

GRANITE STREET - easterly side from the intersection of Beach Street traveling in a southerly direction for a distance of 1,000 feet, year round.

GRANITE STREET - easterly side from Breakwater Avenue to the southern end of Phillips Avenue, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., year round.

GRANITE STREET - easterly side from Forest Street traveling in a southerly direction for a distance of 470 feet, year round.

GRANITE STREET - northerly side from Gott Avenue traveling in a westerly direction for a distance of 1,000 feet more or less, year round.

GRANITE STREET - westerly from Worcester Place to Woodbury Lane for a distance of 1,185 feet traveling in a northerly direction.

HALE STREET - westerly side from Main Street traveling in a southeasterly direction a distance of 197 feet, year round.

HALE STREET - southerly side beginning at a point 340 feet westerly of Cleaves Street, and traveling in an easterly direction to Cleaves Street, year round.

HALE STREET - easterly side beginning at corner located 208 feet from Main Street and extending 30 feet more or less in a northerly direction, year round.

HALE STREET - northerly side beginning at corner located 355 feet west of Cleaves Street and extending 30 feet more or less in an easterly direction.

HALE STREET - northerly side beginning at a point 100 feet more or less west of Cleaves Street to a point 200 feet more or less, west of Cleaves Street.

HARRADEN AVENUE - both sides from Old Garden Road to Highland Avenue, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, March 15 to November 15.

HENDERSON COURT - northerly side from pole #1011 traveling in a north-westerly direction for a distance of 65 feet.

HENDERSON COURT - southerly side from pole #1011 traveling in a northwesterly direction for a distance of 20 feet.

HIGH STREET - northerly side from Main Street to Broadway Avenue, year round.

HIGH STREET - southerly side from upper Main Street, at Route 127, traveling in a northeasterly direction at a distance of 62 feet to first driveway, year round.

HIGH STREET - southerly side from Marshall Street traveling in a south-westerly direction a distance of 56 feet, year round.

HIGH STREET - southerly side from Broadway Avenue to Mt. Pleasant Street, year round.

HIGH STREET - northerly side from Broadway Avenue traveling in an easterly direction for a distance of 100 feet, year round.

HIGH STREET COURT - both sides from High Street to the intersection of Charles Street, year round.

HIGHLAND AVENUE - westerly side from Atlantic Avenue to Norwood Avenue, year round.

HIGHLAND AVENUE - northerly side for a distance of 274 feet from Atlantic Avenue traveling in a southerly direction, year round.

HOLBROOK COURT - southerly side beginning at King Street Court, and traveling in an easterly direction to King Street, year round.

JERDEN'S LANE - northerly side of Jerden's Lane from South Street to Summer Street.

JERDEN'S LANE - southerly side of Jerden's Lane from pole #676 traveling in an easterly direction for a distance of 400 feet to the intersection of South Street from Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

JERDEN'S LANE - both sides from last bus entrance to corner of Summer Street for a distance of 225 feet.

JEWETT STREET - easterly side from Broadway traveling in a northerly direction for a distance of 117 feet, year round.

JEWETT STREET - easterly side beginning at a point 212 feet northerly of Broadway and continuing to the end of Jewett Street, year round.

JEWETT STREET - westerly side beginning at a point 72 feet northerly of Broadway and continuing to the end of Jewett Street, year round.

KING STREET - northerly side from Beach Street to the intersection of the southerly end of Holbrook Court, year round.

LANDMARK LANE – both sides traveling in a northwesterly direction from Granite Street for a distance of 206 feet to utility pole #1495.

LOZANT PLACE - both sides in its entirety, year round.

MAIN STREET - northerly side from the intersection with Beach Street traveling in a southerly direction for a distance of 159 feet, year round.

MAIN STREET - southerly side from Hale Street traveling in a southwesterly direction for a distance of 154 feet, year round.

MAIN STREET - southerly side from Highland Street traveling in a northerly direction for a distance of 200 feet, year round.

MAIN STREET - both sides from Five Corners to Tarr's Lane, year round.

MARSHALL STREET - westerly side from High Street to Pleasant Street, year round.

MARSHALL STREET - easterly side from High Street to Pleasant Street, 10:00 a.m., to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, March 15 to November 15.

MIDDLE ROAD - both sides from Doyle's Cove Road to White Wharf Road, year round.

MILL LANE - both sides in its entirety, year round.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - (DOCK SQUARE) - southwesterly side beginning at a point 82 feet from Broadway traveling in a northeasterly direction for a distance of 120 feet, year round.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - northeasterly side from Cove Hill Lane traveling in a northerly direction for a distance of 108 feet, year round.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - southwesterly side from Gott Street to a point 100 feet southerly of Pleasant Road, year round.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - northeasterly side from Mt. Pleasant Place to the intersection of Prospect Street, year round.

NORTH ROAD - both sides from Doyle's Cove Road to White Wharf Road, year round.

NORWOOD AVENUE - southerly side from Mt. Pleasant Street to Highland Avenue, year round.

NORWOOD AVENUE - southerly side from Highland Avenue to Old Garden Road, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, March 15 to November 15.

NORWOOD AVENUE - northerly side from Mt. Pleasant Street traveling in an easterly direction for a distance of 55 feet, year round.

NORWOOD AVENUE - northeasterly side from Old Garden Road traveling in a southwesterly direction for a distance of 40 feet more or less, year round.

OLD GARDEN ROAD - both sides from Norwood Avenue to Harraden Avenue, year round.

OLD GARDEN ROAD - both sides from Caleb's Lane to Marmion Way, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, March 15 to November 15.

OLD GARDEN ROAD - both sides from Harraden Avenue to Caleb's Lane, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, March 15 to November 15.

PARKER STREET - southerly side in its entirety, year round except during church services.

PARKER STREET - westerly side from Main Street to High Street, 10:00 a.m.

to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

PASTURE ROAD - both sides in its entirety.

PENZANCE ROAD - both sides beginning at Ruthern Way and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 400 feet.

PENZANCE ROAD - beginning at the southerly end, parking is prohibited on both sides a distance of 325 feet more or less from South Street.

PENZANCE ROAD - northerly side of Penzance Road beginning 40 feet more or less from the southerly end of Ruthern Way for a distance of 1100 feet more or less.

PENZANCE ROAD - beginning at the northerly end, parking is prohibited on the easterly side to the southerly end of Ruthern Way, a distance of 4,097 feet more or less from South Street.

PENZANCE ROAD - beginning at the northerly end, parking is prohibited on the westerly side to utility pole #720, a distance of 3,335 feet more or less from South Street.

PENZANCE ROAD - westerly side of Penzance Road beginning at the southerly end of Ruthern Way, parking is prohibited in the northerly direction for a distance of 654 feet more or less to utility pole #719.

PHILLIPS AVENUE - no parking on Phillips Avenue at Granite Street on the easterly side to LaCrosse Avenue at a distance of approximately 570 feet.

PHILLIPS AVENUE - easterly side from LaCrosse Avenue to Granite Street in a northerly direction.

PIGEON HILL COURT – westerly side beginning at Pigeon Hill Street for a distance of 300 feet in northerly direction.

PIGEON COVE WHARF - northeasterly side beginning 30 feet from utility pole #1929 traveling in a southeasterly direction for a distance of 20 feet, year round.

PIGEON COVE WHARF - northeasterly side beginning at a point 50 feet from utility pole #1929, in a southeasterly direction, for a distance of 100 feet more or less, year round.

PIGEON HILL STREET - both sides starting at a point in front of #84 Pigeon Hill Street and extending in an easterly direction 1,000 feet more or less, May 15 to October 15.



PLEASANT STREET - southerly side from Mt. Pleasant Street to School Street and from Summer Street to Spring Lane, year round.

PLEASANT STREET - southerly side from School Street to Summer Street, year round.

POINT DECHENE AVENUE - easterly side in its entirety.

POINT DECHENE AVENUE - both sides in its entirety, year round.

POOLE'S LANE - northerly side from Main Street traveling in a westerly direction for a distance of 100 feet, more or less.

POOLE'S LANE - southerly side from Main Street to the Railroad crossing.

PROSPECT STREET - northerly side from South Street to Summer Street, year round.

PROSPECT STREET - southerly side from Mt. Pleasant Street traveling in a southeasterly direction for a distance of 188 feet, year round.

PROSPECT STREET - southerly side from Summer Street traveling in a northwesterly direction beginning at a point 120 feet from Summer Street and continuing for a distance of 537 feet; year round.

QUARRY ROAD - both sides beginning at a point 99 feet from Granite Street and continuing in a southerly direction for a distance of 1,000 feet more or less, year round.

RAILROAD AVENUE - both sides between King Street and Five Corners, year round.

ROWE AVENUE - both sides from Granite Street to Pasture Road.

RUTHERN WAY - both sides in its entirety, year round.

SCHOOL STREET - easterly side from Main Street to Pleasant Street, year round.

SMITH ROAD - both sides from Old Garden Road to Wallace Road, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, March 15 to November 15.

SMITH STREET - southwesterly side from Pearson Way to King Street, year round.

SMITH STREET COURT - southerly side in its entirety, year round.

SOUTH ROAD - both sides from Dock Square to the Town park at the end of South Road, year round.

SOUTH STREET - northerly side from the intersection of Prospect Street traveling in an easterly direction for a distance of 151 feet, year round.

SOUTH STREET - southerly side beginning at a point 196 feet from the intersection of Prospect Street traveling in an easterly direction to Jerden's Lane.

SOUTH STREET - both sides from the westerly end of Marmion Way to the easterly end of Marmion Way, year round.

SOUTH STREET - westerly side from Tregony Bow to the end of South Street, year round.

SOUTH STREET - westerly side from Thatcher Road to Tregony Bow, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, March 15 to November 15.

SOUTH STREET - easterly side of South Street from the southerly end of Penzance Road for a distance of 50 feet more or less in a northerly direction.

SOUTH STREET - southerly side beginning at a point 96 feet from the intersection of Prospect Street, traveling in an easterly direction to Jerden's Lane, year round.

SQUAM ROAD - both sides for a distance of 750 feet from Granite Street, year round.

STORY STREET - both sides from Granite Street for a distance of 377 feet, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., year round.

STORY STREET - northerly side traveling in a westerly direction from Granite Street for a distance of 800 feet more or less, year round.

STORY STREET - southerly side from Granite Street to utility pole #411 traveling in a westerly direction.

SUMMER STREET - westerly side from Pleasant Street to Prospect Street, year round.

SUMMER STREET - easterly side from Pleasant Street to Prospect Street, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, March 15 to November 15.

SUMMER STREET - easterly side for a distance of 253 feet from driveway at #35 to driveway at #31 on Summer Street, year round.

SUMMIT AVENUE - southerly side for a distance of 288 feet from Granite Street, year round.

SUMMIT AVENUE - westerly side from Railroad Avenue to pole #342.

THATCHER ROAD - both sides from Glenmere Road traveling in an easterly direction for a distance of 600 feet more or less, year round.

VINE AVENUE – both sides from Long Branch Avenue to Linwood Avenue.

WHARF ROAD - both sides in its entirety, year round.

WHITE WAY - northerly side in its entirety, year round.

WHITE WHARF ROAD - both sides from North Road to South Road, year round.

WILDON HEIGHTS – westerly side from the intersection of Upper Main Street (Rte. 127) traveling in the northerly direction for a distance of 176 feet, year round.

### **SECTION 3. 15 MINUTE ZONES.**

- (a) No person shall park a vehicle for a period of time longer than 15 minutes on any day on any of the streets designated in this subsection.

In accordance with the foregoing, 15 minute parking zones are hereby established in the following streets or parts of streets:

BROADWAY - southerly side from a point 117 feet easterly of Broadway Avenue traveling in an easterly direction to a point 293 feet easterly of Broadway Avenue.

CLEAVES STREET - eastern side beginning at a point 51 feet from the intersection of Jewett Street and continuing for a distance of 84 feet in a southerly direction, year round.

JEWETT STREET - westerly side for a distance of 72 feet from Broadway, year round.

### **SECTION 3A. 10 MINUTE LIVE PARKING ZONE**

JERDEN'S LANE - southeasterly side beginning at Summer Street to the entrance of the school parking lot for approximately 180 feet on school days from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### **SECTION 4. BUS STOPS**

- (a) No person shall park a vehicle other than a bus in a bus stop.
- (b) No person shall park a bus upon any street within a business district at any place other than a bus stop, when a nearby bus stop is available for use.
- (c) And such Tour Bus Parking shall be limited to TWO such vehicles at any one time in the designated area in front of #21, 23 and #25 Dock Square, and such parking shall be under the supervision and control of a bus monitor or a Police Officer of the Town of Rockport.

#### **SECTION 5. ANGLE PARKING**

- (a) The Selectmen shall determine upon what streets angle parking shall be permitted and shall sign such streets or cause the same to be signed.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - westerly side for approximately 58 feet from Broadway to Stone Barn Lane.

SCHOOL STREET - westerly side for approximately 400 feet between Main Street and Broadway.

#### **SECTION 6. PARKING VEHICLES FOR SALE PROHIBITED**

It shall be unlawful for any person to park upon a street or highway any vehicle displayed for sale.

#### **SECTION 7. NO ALL NIGHT PARKING**

It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle, other than one acting in an emergency, to park said vehicle on any street for a period of time longer than one (1) hour between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. of any day between November 15<sup>th</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **SECTION 8. HAWKERS, PEDDLERS AND TRANSIENT VENDORS**

It shall be unlawful for a Hawker, Peddler or Transient Vendor to stop a vehicle, for the purpose of displaying or selling goods, wares or merchandise, upon a street or highway in the General or Semi-Residential Districts of the Town of Rockport, as such districts are defined in the Rockport Zoning By-Law, during the months of May, June, July, August and September. In addition, it shall be unlawful for a Hawker, Peddler or Transient Vendor to display or sell goods, wares or merchandise in any Residential District of the Town of Rockport, as such districts are defined in the Rockport Zoning By-Law.

## **SECTION 9. PARKING**

No person shall park a vehicle within any of the Town 's parking lots, or upon any Town-owned land, with or without a resident parking sticker, for longer than 72 hours without permission from the Board of Selectmen. Any vehicle parked for longer than 72 hours may be towed by the Chief of Police, or his designee, at the expense of the owner of said vehicle.

## **SECTION 10. ONE HOUR PARKING ZONE**

No person shall park a vehicle for a period of time longer than 60 minutes on any day on street (s) designated in this section .  
(street formerly listed was deleted 6/6/95)

## **SECTION 11. RESIDENT STICKER PARKING ONLY**

LONG BRANCH AVENUE - northerly side in its entirety, year round.

PENZANCE ROAD – westerly side beginning 654 feet from the southerly end of Ruthern Way traveling in a northerly direction to utility pole #719 for a distance of 113 feet to utility pole #720.

PIGEON HILL COURT - both sides, beginning at Pigeon Hill Street for a distance of 333 feet in the westerly direction, an No Parking both sides between 9 PM and 6 AM for a distance of 90 feet from utility pole #472 westerly direction.

PIGEON HILL STREET - both sides, traveling in an easterly direction from Stockholm Avenue for a distance of 970 feet to Story Street.

WALLACE ROAD - both sides, on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays from March 15 to November 15.

## **SECTION 11a. RESIDENT STICKER PARKING ONLY TOWING ZONE**

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## **SECTION 11b. RESIDENT AND BEACH STICKER PARKING ONLY**

PENZANCE ROAD – beginning 873 feet from the southerly end for a distance of 660 feet traveling in a northerly direction to utility pole #710.

SOUTH STREET – beginning at the southerly end for a distance of 870 feet traveling in a northerly direction to the westerly end of Cambourne Way.

## **ARTICLE 5-A. PARKING, STOPPING, STANDING**

### **SECTION 1. PROHIBITED ON CERTAIN STREETS**

JERDEN'S LANE - northerly side from Seagull Street to Martha's Lane for a distance of 435 feet.

JERDEN'S LANE - northeasterly side of Jerden's Lane from Martha's Lane to Summer Street for a distance of 163 feet.

SUMMER STREET - westerly side from Prospect Street to Jerden's Lane, year round.

## **ARTICLE 6. PARKING METERS**

### **SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.**

(a) "Person" - The word "person" shall mean and include any individual, firm, co-partnership, association or corporation.

(b) "Parking Meter" - The words "Parking Meter" shall mean any mechanical device, not inconsistent with the provisions of this regulation, and placed or erected on any public way or area within the Town for the regulation of parking. Each parking meter installed shall indicate by proper legend the legal parking time established by these rules and when operated shall at all time indicate the balance of the legal parking time permitted and at the expiration of such period shall indicate illegal or overtime parking.

(c) "Parking Meter Zone" - The words "Parking Meter Zone" shall mean and include any street or area or portion thereof upon which parking meters are installed and in operation and upon which parking of vehicles is permitted for a limited time subject to compliance with the further provisions of this regulation.

(d) "Parking Meter Space" - The Words "Parking Meter Space" shall mean any space within a parking meter zone, adjacent to a parking meter which is duly designated for the parking of a single vehicle by lines painted on the surface of the street adjacent to or adjoining each parking meter.

### **SECTION 2. PARKING METER ZONES ESTABLISHED AND PARKING THEREIN REGULATED.**

(a) No person shall park a vehicle for a period of time longer than the maximum period designated on the meter between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m on any day on any of the streets designated in this subsection.

In accordance with the foregoing, parking meter zones are hereby established in the following streets or parts of streets:

BEACH STREET - westerly side from White Way to the Town off-street parking lot at a distance of 100 feet, more or less; westerly side from the Town off-street parking lot in a northwesterly direction for a distance of 420 feet, more or less.

BEACH STREET - northeasterly side beginning at a point 152 feet northwesterly from Main Street and continuing to a point approximately 285 feet northwesterly.

BROADWAY - southerly side from School Street to Mt. Pleasant Street.

BROADWAY - southerly side beginning at School Street and continuing to Broadway Avenue, excepting a distance of 100 feet in front of the Richdale's and of 70 feet in front of the Police and Fire Stations.

BROADWAY - southerly side for a distance of approximately 130 feet in front of the U.S. Post Office.

CLEAVES STREET - southerly side going in a northerly direction from Broadway to Main Street for approximately 85 feet at the Carnegie building.

HIGH STREET - northerly side from School Street to Mt. Pleasant Street.

DOCK SQUARE - within the area between Main Street, Mt. Pleasant Street and South Road (Bearskin Neck).

MAIN STREET - southerly side from Jewett Street to Dock Square.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - easterly side from Dock Square to Norwood Avenue, westerly side from Dock Square to Gott Street.

SCHOOL STREET - westerly side, between Main Street and Broadway.

SOUTH ROAD - traveling in an easterly direction from #68 South Road for 86 feet.

(b) No person shall park a vehicle for a period of time longer than the maximum period designated on the meter between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on any day on any of the streets designated in this subsection:

In accordance with the foregoing, parking meter zones are hereby established in the following streets or parts of streets: (amended 1/15/08)

BROADWAY - 23 meters on the southwest side of Broadway with 17 from #1 to #35 Broadway and 6 from #43 to #45.

HIGH STREET - 17 meters on the northwest side of High Street from School Street to Mt. Pleasant Street..

MAIN STREET - 4 meters on northwest side of Main Street from #81 to #83 Main Street.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - 6 meters on the southwest side of Mt. Pleasant Street from High Street to Gott Street.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - 11 meters on the northwest side from #27 to #37 Mt. Pleasant Street.

MAIN STREET - northerly side beginning at a point 20 feet from Beach Street and traveling in a southwesterly direction for a distance of approximately 135 feet.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section, parking meter regulations shall not apply with respect to those portions of the streets mentioned in said sub-sections which are adjacent to churches, during church services on Sundays.

(d) The Selectmen shall install parking meters within the area described in these rules or cause the same to be so installed. The meters shall be placed at intervals of not less than 20 feet, and not less than 12 inches nor more than 24 inches from the face of the curb adjacent to individual meter spaces. Meters shall be so constructed as to display a signal showing legal parking upon the deposit therein of the proper coin or coins of the United States as indicated by instructions on said meters and for such period of time as is or shall be indicated by this section. Said signal shall remain in evidence until expiration of the parking period designated at which time a dropping of a signal automatically or some other mechanical operation shall indicate expiration of said parking period.

(e) The Selectmen shall establish parking meter spaces, in such parking meter zones as are herein specified, or as may be hereafter fixed by rules or orders and to indicate the same by white markings upon the surface of the highway.

(f) Whenever any vehicle shall be parked adjacent to a parking meter, the owner or operator of said vehicle shall park within the space designated by street marking lines and, upon entering such space shall immediately deposit in said meter the required coin of the United States for the maximum legal parking period or portion thereof both as indicated or shown on the meter and if so required set the mechanism in motion.



The fee for the maximum parking time shall be twenty five cents (25¢) for each hour, except in those specially designated areas where the maximum parking times shall be governed by the regulations as indicated on the meter.

(g) It shall be unlawful for any person to deposit or cause to be deposited in a parking meter any coin for the purpose of permitting the vehicle to remain in a parking space beyond the maximum period of time allowed in a particular zone.

(h) It shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle within a parking meter space unless such vehicle is wholly within the painted lines adjacent to such meter.

(i) It shall be unlawful for any unauthorized person to tamper with, break, injure or destroy any parking meter or to deposit or cause to be deposited in such meter any slugs, device or metallic substance or any other substitute for the coins required.

(j) Operators of commercial vehicles may park in a metered space without depositing a coin for a period not to exceed 30 minutes for purposes of loading or unloading. Parking in excess of this time limit without depositing the proper coin shall be deemed a violation of the provisions of these rules.

(k) No fee shall be exacted and no penalty shall be imposed for the parking of any vehicle owned and driven by a disabled veteran or by a handicapped person and bearing the distinctive number plates authorized by General Laws, Chapter 90, Section 2.

### **SECTION 3. COLLECTION OF FEES AND MAINTENANCE OF METERS**

(a) The Chief of Police is hereby designated as the person authorized to collect monies deposited in parking meters or to cause the same to be so collected. Such monies shall be deposited forthwith with the Town Treasurer in a separate account to be known as the Town of Rockport Parking Meter Account.

(b) The Chief of Police, or his designee, is hereby designated as the person authorized to maintain said parking meters. Maintenance shall be performed during times other than scheduled working hours. The Chief, or his designee, shall be entitled to additional compensation to be set by the Chief, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for meter maintenance.

### **SECTION 4. USE OF FEES**

(a) All fees received by said Town of Rockport from the operation and use of parking meters shall be used as authorized by General Laws, Chapter 40, and any other applicable provision of General or Special Law.

## **SECTION 5. ENFORCEMENT BY POLICE**

- (a) It shall be the duty of police officers to enforce the provisions of Section 2.

## **SECTION 6. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS**

- (a) Any person who violates any parking provision of these rules shall be subject to the penalties provided by Article 10, Section 4, of these Rules and Orders.

## **SECTION 7. NO ALL NIGHT PARKING**

It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle, other than one acting in an emergency, to park said vehicle on any street for a period of time longer than one (1) hour between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. of any day between November 15<sup>th</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup>. (Amended 11/6/07)

BEACH STREET - one (1) hour parking on easterly side of Beach Street from 115 feet northerly from the northerly sideline of King Street to a point 65 feet south of the southerly sideline of King Street.

BEACH STREET - fifteen (15) minute parking on the easterly side of Beach Street from a point 65 feet south of the southerly sideline of King Street for a distance of 60 feet.

## **ARTICLE 7. ADVERTISING SIGNS, AND DISPLAY AND STORAGE OF MATERIALS IN STREETS**

### **SECTION 1. USING VEHICLE FOR SOLE PURPOSE OF DISPLAYING ADVERTISING PROHIBITED**

No person shall operate or park a vehicle on any street or highway for the sole purpose of displaying advertising signs.

### **SECTION 2. ADVERTISING SIGNS ON SIDEWALKS OR STREETS MUST HAVE PERMITS**

No person shall erect or cause to be erected upon or above any Town sidewalk, street or highway any advertising sign or device which projects into or over the sidewalk, street or highway more than six (6) inches unless a permit authorizing the erection of such sign or device has been issued by the Board of Selectmen and is in effect. After five days' notice illegal advertising signs or

devices may be removed by or under the direction of a police officer and at the expense of the owner. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine not exceeding five dollars for each day such sign or device has remained after the expiration of the five days' notice.

### **SECTION 3. PLACING OF STRUCTURES OF PROPERTY IN STREETS PROHIBITED.**

(a) No person shall place, erect or cause to be placed or erected within any sidewalk, street or highway any fixture or structure unless a permit, issued by the Department of Public Works, Town of Rockport, in the case of Town ways or by the Department of Public Works, Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the case of state highways, authorizing such placing or erection has been granted and is in effect.

(b) No person, other than one employed directly or indirectly by this town or by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and while in the performance of necessary public duties, shall at any time place or leave in any sidewalk, street or highway any article, material or merchandise, or park a vehicle or cart in any sidewalk, street or highway for the purpose of displaying merchandise unless a permit issued by the Department of Public Works, Town of Rockport, in the case of town ways or by the Department of Public Works in the case of state highways, authorizing the use of the sidewalk, street or highway has been granted and is in effect, except as may be necessary for the reasonable and expeditious loading or unloading of any such article, material, merchandise, cart or vehicle, provided, however, that such property shall never be left so as to obstruct the free passage of pedestrians or vehicular travel.

### **SECTION 4. DEPOSIT, BOND OR INSURANCE POLICY MAY BE REQUIRED FOR PRIVILEGES OF USING STREET FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES**

The board or officer issuing permits for use of sidewalks, streets or highways as are described in the two previous sections may in its or his discretion when occasion justifies demand a suitable cash deposit, surety bond or insurance indemnity policy to save the Town or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts harmless from all liability of any nature whatsoever caused directly or indirectly by such use of the sidewalk, street or highway.

## **ARTICLE 7A. - ONE-WAY STREETS**

### **SECTION 1. ONE-WAY STREETS.**

Upon the following streets or parts of streets vehicular traffic shall move only in the direction indicated below:

ATLANTIC AVENUE - travel in a westerly direction from Highland Avenue to Mt. Pleasant Street, year round.

CLARK AVENUE - travel in a northerly direction from intersection at Norwood Avenue to Atlantic Avenue for approximately 396 feet, year round.

CLEAVES STREET - travel in a northerly direction from Broadway to Jewett Street, year round.

COVE HILL LANE - travel in a northeasterly direction from Mt. Pleasant Street to Clark Avenue, year round.

DOCK SQUARE - travel in a westerly direction from Mt. Pleasant Street and from South Road to Main Street, year round.

DOYLE'S COVE ROAD - travel in a northerly direction from South Road to North Road, year round.

GOTT STREET - travel in a northerly direction from School Street to Mt. Pleasant Street, year round.

HALE STREET - travel in an easterly direction from Main Street to Cleaves Street, year round.

HIGHLAND AVENUE - travel in a northwesterly direction from Norwood Avenue to Atlantic Avenue, year round.

HOLBROOK COURT - travel in an easterly direction from King Street Court to King Street, year round.

MAIN STREET - travel in a westerly direction from Dock Square to Railroad Avenue, year round.

MIDDLE ROAD - travel in a westerly direction from Doyle's Cove Road to White Wharf Road, year round.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - travel in a northeasterly direction from T Wharf to Dock Square, year round.

NORTH ROAD - travel in a westerly direction from Doyle's Cove Road to White Wharf Road, year round.

NORWOOD AVENUE - travel in an easterly direction from Mt. Pleasant Street to Clark Avenue, year round.

PENZANCE ROAD - travel in a northeasterly direction between

South Street and the intersection of Ruthern Way, between June 15 and September 15.

SCHOOL STREET - travel in a southeasterly direction from Main Street to Pleasant Street, year round.

SMITH STREET - travel in a northerly direction from King Street to Beach Street, year round.

SOUTH ROAD - travel in an easterly direction from Bradley Wharf Road to Doyle's Cove Road, year round.

STRAITSMOUTH LANE - travel in an easterly direction from South Street to Richards Avenue, year round.

WHITE WHARF ROAD - travel in a southerly direction from North Road to South Road, year round.

## **SECTION 2. YIELD STREETS**

DOCK SQUARE - southbound traffic on South Road (Bearskin Neck) at Main Street.

PENRYN WAY – northbound traffic on Penryn Way at Penzance Road.

PIGEON HILL STREET - southwest bound drivers on Pigeon Hill Street at Stockholm Avenue. (MECO pole #355 5/3/90)

RUTHERN WAY - northbound traffic on Ruthern Way at Penzance Road at Loblolly Cove.

SOUTH STREET - northbound drivers on South Street at Thatcher Road.

POINT DECHENE AVENUE - southbound traffic on Point deChene Avenue at Phillips Avenue.

## **ARTICLE 8. TOW-AWAY ZONE REGULATIONS**

### **SECTION 1. IN GENERAL.**

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 22D of the General Laws, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Rockport hereby enact the following regulations authorizing the removal to a convenient place of vehicles parked or standing in such manner, or in such areas as are hereinafter described on any way under the control of the Town of Rockport. Vehicles specifically exempt by G.L.C. 40, 22D, shall not however be subject to such

removal.

## **SECTION 2. AUTHORIZATION OF POLICE.**

The moving or towing of any vehicle under the provisions of this article shall be by and at the direction of the Chief of Police or such other officers of the rank of Sergeant or higher as he may from time to time designate.

## **SECTION 3. FEES.**

The Board of Selectmen hereby imposes upon the owner of any vehicle moved or towed to a convenient place, under the provisions of this Article, the following fees:

(a) **REMOVAL OR TOWING FEE.**

Not to exceed that which is provided in or authorized by statute law.

(b) **STORAGE FEES.**

1. Not to exceed that which is provided in or authorized by statute law.
2. When a vehicle to be towed is locked and carrier is required to use special tools or devices to gain entry thereto, a charge of two dollars (\$2.00) will be assessed.

## **SECTION 4. LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE DURING REMOVAL OR STORAGE.**

The contractor shall be liable to the owner for any damage arising out of negligence caused to a vehicle in the course of removal and storage.

## **SECTION 5. GENERAL PROHIBITION TOWING ZONES.**

No person shall stand or park or allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in his name to stand or park in any of the following places. Vehicles found in violation of the provisions of this section except those specifically exempted by law shall be removed to a convenient place under the direction of an officer of the Police Department and the owner of the vehicle so removed, or towed away shall be liable to the cost of such removal and storage, if any, as set forth in Section 3 of this article. The owner of any vehicle removed or towed away under the provisions of this Section shall also be subject to the penalties provided by Article 10, Section 4, of these Traffic Rules and Orders.

- (a) Upon any way in such a manner as to impede the removal or plowing of snow or ice
- (b) Upon any sidewalk.
- (c) Upon any crosswalk.
- (d) Upon any way within twenty (20) feet of an intersecting way except alleys.
- (e) Upon a way within ten (10) feet of a fire hydrant.
- (f) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of the way.
- (g) In front of a public or private driveway.
- (h) Upon any way where the parking of a vehicle will not leave a clear and unobstructed lane at least ten (10) feet wide for passing traffic.
- (i) In any bus stop.
- (j) In any taxi stand.

## **SECTION 6. PARKING PROHIBITIONS, TOWING ZONE.**

No person shall stand or park or allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in his name to stand or park on any of the ways or parts of ways hereinafter described and during the periods of time set forth. Vehicles found in violation of the provisions of this section except those specifically exempted by law shall be removed to a convenient place under the direction of an officer of the Police Department and the owner of the vehicle so removed or towed away shall be liable to the cost of such removal and storage, if any, as set forth in Section 3 of this article. The owner of any vehicle removed or towed away under the provisions of this section shall also be subject to the penalties provided in Article 10, Section 4, of these Traffic Rules and Orders.

ATLANTIC AVENUE - southerly side from Highland Avenue to Clark Avenue.

ATLANTIC AVENUE - southerly side for a distance of 125 feet from Mt. Pleasant Street.

BEACH STREET - westerly side from Main Street to the southerly end of American Legion grounds.

BROADWAY - northerly side from Five Corners to Mt. Pleasant Street.

CLEAVES STREET - easterly side between Broadway and Jewett Street.

CLEAVES STREET - westerly side between Hale Street and Jewett Street.

DOCK SQUARE - westerly side from private way for a distance of 74 feet.

DOYLE'S COVE ROAD - either side.

DRUMLIN ROAD - both sides from Rowe Avenue to Landmark Lane, year round.

GOTT STREET - southerly side from School Street to Mt. Pleasant Street.

GRANITE STREET - easterly side, a distance of 532 feet southerly from Beach Street.

GRANITE STREET - easterly side between Breakwater Avenue and the southerly end of Phillips Avenue, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

HIGH STREET - southerly side from Mt. Pleasant Street to Marshall Street.

HIGHLAND AVENUE - northerly side for a distance of 274 feet from Atlantic Avenue traveling in a southerly direction.

HOLBROOK COURT – northerly side in a westerly direction from pole #324 for 20 feet.

HOLBROOK COURT – westerly side in a northerly direction from pole #324 for 20 feet.

HOLBROOK COURT – easterly side in a southerly direction from King Street for a distance of 126 feet.

JEWETT STREET - easterly side from Broadway traveling in a northerly direction for a distance of 117 feet.

JEWETT STREET - westerly side from Main Street for a distance of 500 feet.

JEWETT STREET - easterly side from parking lot to Main Street.

KING STREET - easterly side between Beach Street and the southerly end of Holbrook Court.

LONG BRANCH AVENUE - southerly side in its entirety, year round.

MAIN STREET - southerly side from Beach Street traveling in a southwesterly direction for a distance of 200 feet from utility pole #160.



MAIN STREET - southerly side from Jewett Street to Beach Street.

MAIN STREET - southerly side from Highland Street traveling in a northerly direction for a distance of 200 feet.

MARMION WAY - easterly side traveling in a northerly direction from utility pole #1270 to pole #1246 at Gap Head Road for a distance of 278 feet and from pole #1278 to pole #1271 for a distance of 645 feet.

MIDDLE ROAD - northerly side.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - easterly side from a point 132 feet southerly of Norwood Avenue traveling in a southerly direction for a distance of 108 feet.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - westerly side between a point 88 feet north of Broadway and a point 199 feet north of Broadway.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - southwesterly side from Gott Street to a point 100 feet southerly of Pleasant Road.

MT. PLEASANT STREET - northeasterly side from Mt. Pleasant Place to the intersection of Prospect Street.

NORTH ROAD - northerly side.

PIGEON HILL STREET - both sides starting at a point in front of # 84 Pigeon Hill Street and extending in an easterly direction 1,000 feet more or less, May 15 to October 15.

PLEASANT STREET - southerly side from School Street to Mt. Pleasant Street.

PLEASANT STREET - westerly side from High Street Court traveling in a southerly direction for a distance of 150 feet more or less.

QUARRY ROAD - northerly side from Granite Street traveling in a westerly direction for a distance of 155 feet more or less.

RAILROAD AVENUE - westerly side from Main Street to Henderson Court.

ROWE AVENUE - both sides from Pasture Road in its entirety in a northerly direction.

SEAVIEW STREET PARKING LOT area at end of Seaview Street utilized for beach parking at Cape Hedge Beach and Long Beach for approximately 150 vehicles.

SCHOOL STREET - easterly side between Broadway and Pleasant Street.

SMITH STREET - southwesterly side from King Street to a point 35 feet northerly of Smith Street Court.

SOUTH ROAD, BEARSKIN NECK - either side between White Wharf Road and Hazard's Point.

SOUTH STREET - easterly side from pole #1121 to #1117 traveling in a northerly direction for a distance of 451 feet more or less.

SQUAM HILL ROAD - traveling in a northwesterly direction for 1,414 feet to the end, year round.

SQUAM HILL ROAD - traveling in a westerly direction for 1,396 feet to the end, year round.

SQUAM HILL ROAD - traveling in an easterly direction for 218 feet from #51 to the gate.

#### **SECTION 6A. 30 MINUTE ZONE.**

MARMION WAY – easterly side traveling in a northerly direction between utility pole #1271 and pole #1270 opposite Straitsmouth Way for a distance of 97 feet.

#### **SECTION 7. OFFICIAL TRAFFIC SIGNS**

The provisions of Section 6 shall be effective only during such time as a sufficient number of official traffic signs bearing the legend, "Tow-Away Zone" are installed, erected, maintained and located so as to be visible to approaching drivers, said signs to be appended above or incorporated into the legend of Parking Prohibition Signs.

#### **SECTION 8. POLICE TO KEEP RECORD OF TOWED VEHICLES.**

The Police Department shall keep a record of all vehicles towed or removed under the provisions of this article. Such record shall be retained for one (1) year and shall contain the following information:

1. The registration of the vehicle.
2. The location from which it was towed, and time and date of tow order.
3. The location to which it was moved.

4. The fee charged for towing.
5. The name of towing contractor, if any.
6. Name and rank of officer who authorized towing.

## **ARTICLE 9. OPERATION OF VEHICLES**

### **SECTION 1. OVERTAKE ONLY WHEN THERE IS A SPACE AHEAD.**

The driver of a vehicle shall not overtake and pass a vehicle proceeding in the same direction unless there is sufficient clear space ahead on the right side of the roadway to permit the overtaking to be complete without impeding the safe operation of any vehicle ahead.

### **SECTION 2. DRIVER TO GIVE WAY TO OVERTAKING VEHICLE.**

The driver of a vehicle when about to be overtaken and passed by another vehicle approaching from the rear shall give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle, on suitable and audible signal being given by the driver of the overtaking vehicle, and shall not increase the speed of his vehicle until completely passed by the overtaking vehicle.

### **SECTION 3. OBSTRUCTING TRAFFIC**

(a) No person shall drive in such a manner as to obstruct unnecessarily the normal movement of traffic upon any street or highway. Officers are hereby authorized to require any driver who fails to comply with this section to drive to the side of the roadway and wait until such traffic as has been delayed has passed.

(b) No driver shall enter an intersection or a marked crosswalk unless there is sufficient space on the other side of the intersection or crosswalk and on the right half of the roadway to accommodate the vehicle he is operating without obstructing the passage of other vehicles or pedestrians notwithstanding any traffic control signal indication to proceed.

### **SECTION 4. FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY.**

The driver of a vehicle shall not follow another vehicle more closely than is reasonable and prudent, having due regard to the speed of such vehicle and the traffic upon and condition of the street or highway.

### **SECTION 5. SLOW VEHICLES TO STAY 200 FEET APART.**

Upon roadways less than twenty seven (27) feet wide and upon which vehicular traffic is permitted to operate in both directions the driver of any slow moving vehicle when traveling outside of a business or residential district shall not follow another slow moving vehicle within two hundred (200) feet, but this shall not be construed to prevent such slow moving vehicle from overtaking and passing another slow moving vehicle. This section shall not apply to funerals or other lawful processions.

**SECTION 6. CARE IN STARTING, STOPPING, TURNING OR BACKING.**

The driver of any vehicle before starting, stopping, turning from a direct line or backing shall first see that such movement can be made in safety. If such movement cannot be made in safety or if it interferes unduly with the normal movement of other traffic, said driver shall wait for a more favorable opportunity to make such movement.

If the operation of another vehicle should be affected by a stopping or turning movement, the driver of such other vehicle shall be given a plainly visible signal, as required by law.

**SECTION 7. EMERGING FROM ALLEY OR PRIVATE DRIVEWAY.**

The operator of a vehicle merging from an alley, driveway or a garage shall stop such vehicle immediately prior to driving on to a sidewalk or on to the sidewalk area extending across alleyway or driveway.

**SECTION 8. OBEDIENCE TO ISOLATED STOP SIGNS.**

Every driver of a vehicle, railway car or other conveyance approaching an intersection of ways where there exists facing him an official sign bearing the word "STOP" or a flashing red signal indication, said sign or signal having apart from these rules and orders, the written approval of the Department of Public Works, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and such approval being in effect, shall, before proceeding through the intersection, bring such vehicle, railway car or other conveyance to a complete stop at such point as may be clearly marked by a sign or line, or if a point is not so marked, then at the nearer line or crosswalk of the said intersection. In the case of a line of two or more vehicles approaching such "STOP" sign, or flashing red signal indication, the drivers of the second and third vehicles in any group shall not be required to stop more than once before proceeding through the intersection. The section shall not apply when the traffic is otherwise directed by an officer or by a lawful traffic regulating sign, signal, or device, except as provided in subsection (b) of Section 12 of this article.

In accordance with the foregoing, the erection and maintenance of an

isolated stop sign, or signs or flashing red signals, as the case may be, are authorized so as to face:

Westbound drivers on King Street at Granite Street.

Southeast bound drivers on Railroad Avenue at Main Street.

Southwest bound drivers on T Wharf at Dock Square.

Southwest bound drivers on Marmion Way at South Street.

Eastbound drivers on Broadway Avenue at High Street.

Southbound drivers on Dean Road at South Street.

Eastbound drivers on Norwood Avenue at Highland Avenue.

Northbound drivers on Jerden's Lane at South Street.

Eastbound drivers on Marshall Street at Pleasant Street.

Westbound drivers on Marshall Street at High Street.

Northeastbound drivers on Pigeon Hill Street at Curtis Street.

Eastbound drivers on High Street at School Street.

Westbound drivers on High Street at School Street.

Westbound drivers on Eden Road at South Street.

Southbound drivers on Main Street at Five Corners (Railroad Avenue).

Eastbound drivers on Poole's Lane at Main Street.

Eastbound drivers on Tarr's Lane at Main Street.

Southeast bound drivers on Sandy Bay Terrace at Main Street.

Northeast bound drivers on Allen Avenue at Old Garden Road.

Eastbound drivers on Old Garden Road at Marmion Way.

North and south bound drivers on Clark Avenue at Norwood Avenue.

Westbound drivers on Summer Street at Pleasant Street.

Southbound drivers on Summer Street at Prospect Street.

Northbound drivers on Summer Street at Prospect Street.

Southbound drivers on Parker Street at High Street.

Eastbound drivers on Summit Avenue at Granite Street.

Southeast bound drivers on Squam Road at Granite Street.

Westbound drivers on Forest Street at Granite Street.

Southbound drivers on Rowe Avenue at Granite Street.

Eastbound drivers on Landmark Lane at Granite Street.

Eastbound drivers on Story Street at Granite Street.

Southwest bound drivers on Phillips Avenue at Granite Street.

Westbound drivers on Phillips Avenue at Granite Street.

Eastbound drivers on High Street at Mt. Pleasant Street.

Northeast bound drivers on Pleasant Street at Mt. Pleasant Street.

Northeast bound drivers on Prospect Street at Mt. Pleasant Street.

Westbound drivers on High Street at Main Street.

Northeast bound drivers on Country Club Road at South Street.

Eastbound drivers on Allen Avenue at Ocean Street.

Northeast bound drivers on Gott Street at Mt. Pleasant Street.

Westbound drivers on Norwood Avenue at Mt. Pleasant Street.

Southeast bound drivers on Jewett Street at Broadway.

Southeast bound drivers on Cleaves Street at Broadway.

Northeast bound drivers on Broadway Avenue at Broadway.

Southeast bound drivers on School Street at Broadway.

Northbound drivers on Green Street at Phillips Avenue.

Northbound traffic on Story Street at its intersection with Pigeon Hill Street.

Southeasterly bound drivers on Seagull Street at its intersection at Martha's Lane.

Westbound drivers on Beach Street at its intersection with Granite Street.

Southwest bound drivers on Smith Road at South Street.

Eastbound drivers on Wallace Road at Marmion Way.

Westbound drivers on Wallace Road at Smith Road.

Eastbound drivers on Wallace Road at Smith Road.

Westbound drivers on Wallace Road at Dean Road.

Eastbound drivers on Wallace Road at Dean Road.

Northeast bound drivers on Quarry Road at Granite Street.

Eastbound traffic on School Street at Pleasant Street.

Northeast bound drivers on Jerden's Lane Extension at Summer Street Extension.

Easterly bound drivers on School Street at its intersection with High Street.

Eastbound drivers on Summer Street Extension at Jerden's Lane.

Southbound drivers on Squam Hill Road at Squam Road.

Northeast bound drivers on McKay's Drive at Squam Road.

Westbound drivers on Norwood Avenue at Highland Avenue.

Westbound drivers on Atlantic Avenue at Mt. Pleasant Street.

Southbound drivers on Curtis Street at Granite Street.

Southwest bound drivers on Prospect Street at Summer Street.

Northeast bound drivers on Prospect Street at Summer Street.

Southwest bound drivers on Jerden's Lane at Summer Street.

Southwest bound drivers on Straitsmouth Way at Shetland Road.

Southerly bound drivers on Phillips Avenue at Phillips Avenue.

Southbound drivers on Wildon Heights at Main Street.

Northbound drivers on Parker Street at Broadway.

Southbound drivers on Penzance Road at South Street.

Southbound drivers on Curtis Street at Granite Street.

Northbound drivers on Mt. Locust Avenue at Haven Avenue.

Northbound drivers on Ocean Avenue at Haven Avenue.

Southbound drivers on Mt. Locust Avenue at Haven Avenue.

Southbound drivers on Ocean Avenue at Haven Avenue.

Southeast bound drivers on Stockholm Avenue at Pigeon Hill Street.

Eastbound drivers on Norwood Avenue at Clark Avenue.

Southeast bound drivers on Spring Lane at Summer Street Court.

South bound drivers on Boot Hill Road at Frank Street.

North bound drivers on Clark Avenue at Atlantic Avenue.

**FLASHING RED** - When a red lens is illuminated in a traffic control signal by rapid intermittent flashes, and its use has been specifically authorized by the Dept. of Public Works, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, drivers shall stop before entering the nearer line or crosswalk of the street intersection, or at a stop line when marked, and the right to proceed shall then be governed by provisions of Chapter 29, Section 8 of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.).

**SECTION 9. KEEP TO THE RIGHT OF ROADWAY DIVISION.**



Upon such roadways as are divided by a parkway, grass plot, reservation or by any structure or area, drivers shall keep to the right of such a division except when otherwise directed by an officer, signs, signals, or markings.

**SECTION 10. DRIVING ON ROAD SURFACES UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR REPAIR.**

No operator shall enter upon the road surface of any street or highway or section thereof, when, by reasons of construction, surface treatment, maintenance or the like, or because of some unprotected hazard, such road surface is closed to travel, and one or more signs, lights or signals have been erected to indicate that all or part of the road surface of the street or highway is not to be used, or when so advised by an officer, watchman, member of a street or highway crew or employee of the Town, either audibly, or by signals.

**SECTION 11. NO DRIVING ON SIDEWALK.**

The driver of a vehicle shall not drive upon any sidewalk except at a permanent or temporary driveway.

**SECTION 12. RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF DRIVERS IN FUNERALS OR OTHER PROCESSIONS.**

- (a) It shall be the duty of each driver in a funeral or other procession to keep as near to the right edge of the roadway as is feasible and to follow the vehicle ahead as closely as is practicable and safe.
- (b) At an intersection where a lawful stop sign exists, the driver of the first vehicle in a funeral or other procession shall be the only one required to stop before proceeding through the intersection.

**SECTION 13. DROPPING OR LEAKING LOADS.**

No vehicle shall be driven or moved to any street or highway nor shall any owner of any vehicle knowingly permit such vehicle to be driven or moved on any street or highway unless such vehicle is so constructed or so loaded as to prevent its contents from spilling, dropping, shifting, leaking or otherwise escaping therefrom. Vehicles loaded with any material which may be blown about by the wind shall be suitably covered to prevent the contents from being blown upon the streets or highways.

**SECTION 14. EXPERIMENTAL REGULATIONS.**

For the purpose of trial, the Board of Selectmen may make temporary

rules regulating traffic, or test under actual conditions, traffic signs, signals, markings or other devices. No such experimental rule relating to traffic shall remain in effect for a period longer than sixty (60) days.

## **SECTION 15. OBEDIENCE TO TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS.**

Colors and arrow indications in traffic control signals shall have the commands ascribed to them in this section, and no other meanings, and every driver of a vehicle, railway car or other conveyance shall comply therewith, except when otherwise directed by an officer or by a lawful traffic regulating sign (other than a "stop" sign), signal or device or except as provided in Section 7 - 18(b) of these rules.

In no case shall a driver enter or proceed through an intersection without due regard to the safety of other persons within the intersection, regardless of what indications may be given by traffic control signals.

1. Green indications shall have the following meanings:
  - (a) Drivers facing a CIRCULAR GREEN may proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a sign at such place prohibits either such turn. But drivers turning right or left, shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicles, and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent crosswalk, at the time such signal is exhibited.
  - (b) Drivers facing a GREEN ARROW, shown alone or in combination with another indication, may cautiously enter the intersection only to make the movement indicated by such arrow, or such other movements as are permitted by other indications shown at the same time. Such drivers shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.
2. Steady yellow indications shall have the following meanings:
  - (a) Drivers facing a steady CIRCULAR YELLOW OR YELLOW ARROW signal are thereby warned that the related green movement is being terminated or that a red indication will be exhibited immediately thereafter when drivers shall not enter the intersection.
3. Steady red indications shall have the following meanings:
  - (a) Drivers, facing a steady CIRCULAR RED signal alone

shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection, or if none, then before entering the intersection and shall remain standing until an indication to proceed is shown except as provided in (b) below.

(b) When a sign is in place permitting a turn, drivers facing a steady CIRCULAR RED signal may cautiously enter the intersection to make the turn indicated by such sign after stopping as provided in (a) above. Such drivers shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.

(c) Drivers, facing a steady RED ARROW indication may not enter the intersection to make the movement indicated by such arrow, and unless entering the intersection to make such other movement as is permitted by other indications shown at the same time, shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection, or if none, then before entering the intersection and shall remain standing until an indication to make the movement indicated by such arrow is shown.

4. RED AND YELLOW indications shall have the following meaning:

While the red and yellow lenses are illuminated together, drivers shall not enter the intersection, and during such time the intersection shall be reserved for the exclusive use of pedestrians.

5. Flashing signal indications shall have the following meanings:

(a) Flashing red (stop signal) - When a red lens is illuminated with rapid intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection, or if none, then at the point nearest the intersecting roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway before entering the intersection and the right to proceed shall be subject to the provisions of Chapter 89, Section 8, of the General Laws.

(b) Flashing Yellow (caution signal) - When a yellow lens is illuminated with rapid intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles may proceed through the intersection

or pass such signal only with caution.

**ARTICLE 10. - ACCIDENT REPORTS, RESPONSIBILITY,  
PENALTIES AND REPEALS.**

**SECTION 1. DRIVERS MUST REPORT ACCIDENTS.**

Every person operating a motor vehicle which is in any manner involved in an accident in which any person is killed or injured, or in which there is damage in excess of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) to any one vehicle or other property shall report such accident within five (5) days to the Registrar and to the Police Department in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 90.

**SECTION 2. EFFECT OF REGULATIONS.**

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of these rules and orders is for any reason unconstitutional such decisions shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of these rules and orders. The Board of Selectmen hereby declares that it would have passed these regulations and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

**SECTION 3. OWNER PRIMA FACIE RESPONSIBLE FOR VIOLATIONS.**

If any vehicle is found upon any street or highway in violation of any provisions of these rules and orders and the identity of the driver cannot be determined, the owner or the person in whose name such vehicle is registered, shall be held prima facie responsible for such violations.

**SECTION 4. PENALTIES.**

(a) Any person convicted of a violation of any rule, regulation or order made hereunder, excepted as otherwise provided, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty (50) dollars for the first offense, seventy-five (75) dollars for the second offense and one hundred and fifty (150) for the third offense.

(b) Pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 90, Section 20C of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.) any person violating any rule, regulation or order made herein regulating the parking of motor vehicles shall be punished by a fine for each offense as hereinafter set forth:

**G.L. CHAPTER 90 - SEC. 20A-1/2 as amended.**

Any fine established under the provisions of this section shall not exceed twenty-five dollars, with the exception of the handicapped fine, if paid within twenty one days, fifty dollars if paid thereafter, but before the parking clerk reports to the registrar, and seventy dollars if paid thereafter

**Group A: \$50.00**

01. Bus stop or taxi stand
02. Park, Beach, and Wharf areas (May1-Oct.15)
03. Resident/Beach Sticker Violations
04. Tow Zone No Parking Area
05. Upon Crosswalk or Sidewalk

**Group B: \$25.00**

06. Within 10 feet of a hydrant.
07. Obstructing public transportation.
08. Less than 10 feet unobstructed lane.
09. Within 10 feet of a fire station.
10. All night parking when restricted.
11. Across a private road or driveway.
12. Tow zone/No parking area.
13. Prohibited area.
14. Across street from a fire station.
15. Within 20 feet of intersection or corner.
16. Upon crosswalk or sidewalk.
17. Within an intersection.
18. Interference with snow removal.
19. Within 3 feet of driveway.

**Group C: \$15.00**

20. Wrong direction/Right wheels not at curb.
21. Overtime parking.
22. Meter violation.
23. Double parking.
24. Over one foot from curb.
25. Within a loading zone.
26. Improper angle parking.
27. Parked in rural or wooded area.

**Group D: \$100.00**

- 28. Handicapped Parking.
- 29. Bus Stop
- 30. Within 10 Feet of Fire Hydrant

**SECTION 5. REPEAL.**

These rules are adopted with the intent that each of them shall have force and effect insofar as by express reference or necessary implication any rule or any part of a rule is made dependent upon another rule or part thereof.

All official signs, lights, markings, signal systems or devices erected or installed under prior rules or regulations and necessary to the enforcement of these regulations shall be deemed to have been lawfully erected or installed hereunder provided the same were erected or installed with the permission and approval of the Department of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and insofar as the same are necessary as aforesaid for the enforcement of these regulations they shall be deemed continuing hereunder but in all other respects all prior rules, orders and regulations made by the Board of Selectmen of Rockport, for the regulation of vehicles are hereby expressly repealed. This repeal, however, shall not affect any punishment or penalty imposed or any complaint or prosecution pending at the time of the passage hereof for any offense committed under said prior rules, orders or regulations hereby repealed, nor shall said repeal be effective unless and until these rules and regulations have been approved and published as required by law.

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